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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN HELICAL SPRING LOCK WASHERS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN HELICAL SPRING LOCK WASHERS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

- 1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON APRIL 30, 1993, NOTICE OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN HELICAL SPRING LOCK WASHERS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC).
- 2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION ARE CERTAIN HELICAL SPRING LOCK WASHERS (HSLWS). HSLWS ARE CIRCULAR WASHERS OF CARBON STEEL, OF CARBON ALLOY STEEL, OR OF STAINLESS STEEL,

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HEAT-TREATED OR NON HEAT-TREATED, PLATED OR NON-PLATED, WITH ENDS
THAT ARE OFF-LINE. HSLWS ARE DESIGNED TO: 1) FUNCTION AS A SPRING
TO COMPENSATE FOR DEVELOPED LOOSENESS BETWEEN THE COMPONENT
PARTS

OF A FASTENED ASSEMBLY: 2) DISTRIBUTE THE LOAD OVER A LARGER AREA FOR SCREW OR BOLTS; AND 3) PROVIDE A HARDENED BEARING SURFACE. THE SCOPE DOES NOT INCLUDE INTERNAL OR EXTERNAL TOOTH WASHERS, NOR DOES IT INCLUDE SPRING LOCK WASHERS MADE OF OTHER METALS, SUCH AS COPPER. THE LOCK WASHERS SUBJECT TO THIS INVESTIGATION ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 7318.210000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADING ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

- 3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES, THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-570-822.
- *4. THE DEPARTMENT HAS PRELIMINARILY DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO EXPORTS OF HSLWS FROM THE PRC. THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF EXPORTS OF HSLWS FROM THE PRC FROM ALL PRC MANUFACTURERS. PRODUCERS, AND EXPORTERS THAT ARE ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER JANUARY 30,1993, AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO 128.63 PERCENT. THIS SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THE ESTIMATED DUMPING MARGINS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER ID NUMBER MARGIN PERCENTAGE /EXPORTER

ALL PRC MANUFACTURERS,
PRODUCERS, AND EXPORTERS A-570-822-000 128.63

5. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, THEY SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION, OTHER AGENCY BRANCH, CUSTOMS HEADQUARTERS BY E-MAIL Message Date: 05/11/1993 Message Number: 3131111 Page 3 of 5

ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT BILL CROW OF THE OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE (202) 482-0116.

6. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party